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Prince George's County Public Schools (PGCPS) is in receipt of the granted waiver request received by the United States Department of Education to Maryland State Department of Education (MSDE) request for a waiver of section 421 (b) of the General Education Provisions Act (GEPA) (Tydings Amendment) to extend the period of availability of Maryland's FY2012 School Improvement Grant (SIG) 1003(g) allocation until September 30, 2015.

PGCPS understands that the waiver has been granted under the following conditions and provisions:

- The extended waiver has been granted only if PGCPS has effectively used FY2012 funds to carry out the SIG final requirements and improve student achievement in accordance with section 9401(d)(A) of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA).
- PGCPS will fully and effectively implement, consistent with MSDE's established criteria, one of the models in its Tier II Cohort 2 schools for an additional year.
- PGCPS will use the funds to fully and effectively implement a SIG intervention model in one or more Tier II Cohort 2 SIG schools for one additional school year, including reviewing and approving revised LEA budgets and plans for continuing full and effective implementation of the model during the 2014-2015 school year.
- Comply with MSDE technical assistance and support of PGCPS' implementation of the intervention models for the selected Tier II Cohort 2 schools that are approved to implement the extended waiver.
- Comply with a MSDE developed monitoring plan for 2014-2015 school year, specifically approved to implement the extended waiver.

PGCPS is therefore requesting this waiver to extend the period of availability of Maryland's FY2012 School Improvement Grant (SIG) 1003(g) allocation until September 30, 2015.

Sincerely,

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